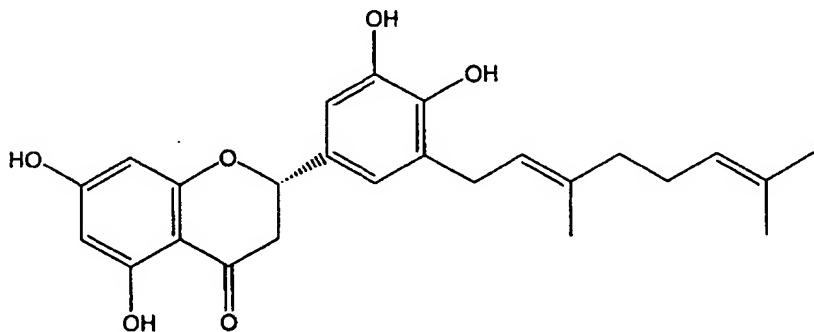


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A flavanone compound characterized in that the compound is comprising a structure represented by the structural formula:



2. (Currently Amended) An antioxidant characterized by containing comprising a flavanone compound according to claim 1.

3. (Currently Amended) An antimicrobial agent characterized by containing comprising a flavanone compound according to claim 1.

4. (Currently Amended) An antitumor agent characterized by containing comprising a flavanone compound according to claim 1.

5. (Currently Amended) A food and beverage product characterized by containing comprising a flavanone compound according to claim 1.

6. (Currently Amended) The food and beverage product according to claim 5, characterized in that wherein the concentration of the flavanone compound contained in the food and beverage product is 50 ppm or more.

7. (Currently Amended) The food and beverage product according to claim 5, characterized in that wherein the concentration of the flavanone compound contained in the food and beverage product is 50 ppm to 10,000 ppm.

8. (Currently Amended) A cosmetic characterized by containing comprising a flavanone compound according to claim 1.

9. (Currently Amended) A quasi-drug characterized by containing comprising a flavanone compound according to claim 1.

10. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical characterized by containing comprising a flavanone compound according to claim 1.

11. (Currently Amended) An antioxidant characterized by containing comprising at least one flavanone compound selected from nymphaeol-A, nymphaeol-B and nymphaeol-C.

12. (Currently Amended) An antimicrobial agent characterized by containing comprising at least one flavanone compound selected from nymphaeol-A, nymphaeol-B and nymphaeol-C.

13. (Currently Amended) An antitumor agent characterized by containing comprising at least one flavanone compound selected from nymphaeol-A, nymphaeol-B and nymphaeol-C.

14. (Currently Amended) A food and beverage product characterized by containing comprising at least one flavanone compound selected from nymphaeol-A, nymphaeol-B and nymphaeol-C.

15. (Currently Amended) The food and beverage product according to claim 14, characterized in that wherein the concentration of the flavanone compound contained in the food and beverage product is 30 ppm or more.

16. (Currently Amended) The food and beverage product according to claim 14, characterized in that wherein the concentration of the flavanone compound contained in the food and beverage product is 30 ppm to 10,000 ppm.

17. (Currently Amended) A cosmetic characterized by containing comprising at least one flavanone

compound selected from nymphaeol-A, nymphaeol-B and nymphaeol-C.

18. (Currently Amended) A quasi-drug ~~characterized by containing comprising~~ at least one flavanone compound selected from nymphaeol-A, nymphaeol-B and nymphaeol-C.

19. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical ~~characterized by containing comprising~~ at least one flavanone compound selected from nymphaeol-A, nymphaeol-B and nymphaeol-C.